Eden Greets Russians As Ally in Task of **Defeating Hitler**

Pledge to Redeem Poland Repeated; Reds Accept Offer of Missions

the Associated Press.

LONDON, June 24 .- Foreign Secetary Anthony Eden formally welmed Soviet Russia as an ally "in ur common task, the defeat of Germany," in a speech in the House of Commons today

Mr. Eden urged the British nation to forego political considerations in facing the situation raised by Germany's drive into Russia.

Communism is not the issue, he said, adding, "we have always hated the creed." But, he went on, what counts is that the Russians "are fighting the man who seeks to dominate the world."

"That also is our sole task." "The Soviet government have made it plain to us that in the period of military collaboration which now lies ahead help will be on a mutual and reciprocal basis," said Mr. Eden. "His majesty's government accept and indorse that In a review of British-Russian re-

lations before Adolf Hitler's armies crossed the Russian frontier Sunday, the Foreign Secretary reiterated Britain's pledge of the redemption of Poland. "That remains our pledge," he

said of the nation jointly occupied by Germany and Russia at the opening of the war in 1939. British Offer Accepted.

The Foreign Secretary announced that Russia had formally accepted an offer of British military and economic missions "to co-ordinate the common task of the defeat of the enemy.

"The political system of Great Britain and Russia are diverse, said Mr. Eden, "but this cannot and must not obscure the reality which Of British Raids confronts us today."

Mr. Eden said the failure of the British to make headway with Moscow in trade and political talks before the war's start had been due to Russia's fear of offending Hitler. Moscow insisted, he asserted, upon strictest observance of its nonaggression pact with Berlin.

If there were any who questioned the United States' attitude toward the British alliance with Russia, Mr. Eden said, they should read "the declaration by Mr. Sumner Welles in the press this morning." Soviet Ambassador Ivan Maisky,

who conferred vesterday with Mr. Eden, sat in the diplomatic gallery throughout the Foreign Secretary's said

In order to hear the 20-minute speech the House had to postpone station, northeast of Beirut, damag- afire a secret debate on shipping losses ing installations there. and a discussion on military information and propaganda.

Hitler Termed Traitor. Mr. Eden gave this description of Hitler: "A cynical traitor to his own spring.

When debate followed his address. there was some question as to his assurances about Turkey, "Our friend and ally."

Although Mr. Eden said Ankara had given assurances "in the last 24 hours that our treaty stands insought "clarification."

Mr. Hore-Belisha suggested that the Nazi invasion of Russia would French forces, it was said. win the sympathy of France, Spain and "perhaps" Finland by "its specious appeal.'

bitions," he added

Cripps to Return to Post. It was announced at the same

time that Sir Stafford Cripps, who has been in London since June 11 conferring with government leaders. would return to his post as British Ambassador to Moscow.

Authoritative sources denied there ever had been any "deal" between Russia and Britain on the Balkans and Germany as claimed by Hitler. Britain had been kept fully informed of the negotiations leading up to the signing of the German-Turkish agreement, Mr. Eden said, but added "we should naturally have preferred if no such treaty had been concluded."

The attack on Russia, he said, was a return to Hitler's "Mein Kampf" policy and was a clear indication that "Hitler hopes to break the military power of that vast state" in order to free his Eastern frontier for "duel with our own land."

The ultimate Nazi target, he said, was the British Empire which Hitler in his path to world domination."

Press Warns Britain. The press was outspoken in saying Britain was dealing with unpredictables in connection with the new theater of war and warned to say: "Now we can sit back and let Germany and Russia fight it

"We should be on the road to disaster if because of Russia we slackened off in the production of arms or prosecution of the war," said the News Chronicle

The Daily Sketch called the German attack on Russia "aggression two civilian deaths, the spokesman at its nakedest yet" and advised the said. United States that "here are both a lesson and an opportunity for America.

Finland's position in the face of German-Russian hostilities was the cause of some concern in Britain.

British Reported Sending Army Experts to Russia

ANKARA, Turkey, June 24 (AP) .-British military specialists from the Near East command were reported here today assigned to the Soviet army in accord with Prime Minister

Churchill's promise to aid Russia. The first group of artillery and airforce officers was expected to cross the Turko-Russian frontier within a week if tentative arrangements are completed. Others are expected to follow as conditions

British military experts waited in of 1939 when Britain sought to obtain a pact with Russia. The sudden announcement of the German-Russian non-aggression pact sent them home with their plans for cooperation unopened.



GERMANS BUILD MARTIAL BRIDGE IN RUSSIAN MARSH-German soldiers lay down timbers to build an emergency bridge

over a brook in a Russian moor. Source of the smoke in background is not explained by German sources.

-A. P. Wirephoto via radio from Berlin.

and it was expected they would be

followed shortly by about 35 more

All will work in a hospital de-

voted to the treatment and study

the war, air raids, possible diet

deficiencies and crowding in shelters.

now and is being assembled with

materials built in the United States.

Raids

(Continued From First Page.)

the past three days they had downed

77 German planes in daylight raids

reported the destruction of 185 Ger-

The sinking of the British Navy's

reported today by the Admiralty.

BERLIN. June 24 (A).-British

bombers killed and wounded several

civilians with a small number of

the high command reported today.

apartment houses were hit.

The daily war bulletin said several

land while a long-range naval bat-

Two of the R. A. F. night raiders

downed against four Nazi losses.

batteries dispersed a convoy off the

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filed suit yesterday for divorce from

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Beirut Is Damaged Seriously by Series

English Claim Important Advance for Troops Moving Against City

The port of Beirut, Lebanon, has been seriously damaged by a series and warships, the French admitted

The port was bombed by squadfleet started bombarding the coast. a dispatch from the Lebanese capital In one raid the R. A. F. loosed

No lives were lost in any of these

Beirut damage was confined to com- the French had shot down five only nine fighters themselves. mercial sections of the port. pledged word-soothing words in only a short time, the British units the winter, bombs and tanks in the retiring after shore batteries opened

> Damage to Warship Claimed. French light naval units were reported to have seriously damaged a British warship in an engagement off Beirut yesterday.

The French vessels were said to have suffered no damage during the tact," despite the new Turkish-Ger- encounter. A number of units of the man agreement, some members British Navy were reported involved. The French said British land Hore-Belisha argued that "by vig- of their attacks on the Merdjayoun orous action we can sustain" Tur- and Djezzine sectors in the coastal military measures to reassure her." assault at Djezzine was repulsed at bayonet point by counter-attacking

Advance on Beirut. At Cairo the British reported "an important advance" for their colous appeal."
"If we do not assist Turkey that umns driving toward Beirut along La Guardia Sets Up Office country will be used as an avenue the Mediterranean coast of Syria, for achievement of Germany's am- and added that "our artillery al- In Old Blaine Mansion ready is in action against the Vichy position at Damour," south of

were advancing toward the Damas- has marked all his activities. cus-Beirut road

and southeast. Australian units were credited with the gains in the coastal sector. "Free French and Indian troops, the communique said, "successfully attacked and occupied the high ground of Barze," in the Damascus

"Further local gains" for the allies in the Merdjayoun area, in Southern Syria, were reported.

Converge on Palmyra.

old caravan stop, a British military "rightly regards as the chief obstacle spokesman declared at Jerusalem.

bombing from planes at a French airbase there. The second column was said to be still approaching Admiral Will Speak that it would be folly for Britons Palmyra across the sandy wastes and its location was not disclosed.

The spokesman said French forces which withdrew from Damascus, taken over by the Free French, had occupied positions from Barze, 10 miles north of the city, to the heigths of the Jebel El Chakki Range, 50 miles to the northeast. Damascus was taken with only

French Holding Out. French forces were reported nolding out near Mezze southeast of Damascus and near Kattaneh, 10 miles to the southwest, where the

spokesman said there was "a deal

of scrapping" and Allied troops were under artillery fire. In Lebanon, French forces entrenched east of Merdjayoun were being attacked from the south but results of the fighting remained inconclusive, the spokesman said. Australian troops moving northward along the Lebanese coast were said to have captured three more fortified posts-Jive Bassir and

Beichiye-in their push toward Beirut British bombers attacking Beirut

harbor were reported here to have 710 13m MATERIALS NA. 6386

First Volunteer U. S. Nurses **Arrive for Duty in England**

LONDON, June 24.-The first for young doctors and for techgroup of United States nurses, who nicians to operate radiolocaters. volunteered for service at the Red | Fifteen nurses were said to be in Cross-Harvard University Hospital, the first contingent to arrive here

were in England today.

The nurses, who made the voyage here by boat, arrived coincidentally with an appeal to Great Britain's registered nurses to enlist in military nursing services.

"Many more nurses will be needed of violent raids by British planes if hostilities are protracted," an official announcement said.

It was reported in reliable United States circles here that this move Red Cross and Harvard representarons of British raiders early this may lead to an appeal by England tives expect the building to be commorning while at dawn the British for United States nurses along lines pleted by the end of the summer.

scored a direct hit on a destroyer, which was believed to have sunk, tons of explosives on the Rayak and to have set a merchant ship

French Claim Six Planes. Military advices to Vichy, unraids, French officials asserted. The occupied France, from Beirut, said over the French coast, while losing

Hurricanes and one Curtis P40 in large scale air battles over Syria greatest to date, though a single scale air battles over The dispatches said air fighting now is the outstanding phase of Syrian warfare with the French constantly hammering at British motorized columns in the desert. The British were said to have employed large numbers of pursuit

planes in an effort to beat back the

French and to have bombed Syria airdromes. A squadron of the Royal Australian Air Force using Americanmade Tomahawk planes scored one Former War Secretary Leslie forces were increasing the strength Syrian campaign recently when they destroyed or damaged 100 French motor vehicles on the key and added "it is urgent to take sector south of Beirut. One British Damascus front. Air Minister J. McEwen said today at Canberra, Australia. Only three Australian planes were damaged.

Mayor La Guardia of New York, patrol boat and damaged two merentrusted with the task of organiz-The communique of the Near East ing the Nation's civilian defense, command also announced that the has opened his headquarters in tery shelled enemy ships in the British had captured Qatana, 15 Washington and set up its routine Channel. miles southwest of Damascus, and at the same rapid-fire pace that

The entire arrangement of his of-Beirut, therefore, was menaced fice, established yesterday in the by advances both from the south old James G. Blaine home at 2000 Massachusetts avenue N.W., is planned for speed and efficiency.

Five telephones are on the desks in the outer room to his office, where are seated the battery of stenographers who wait to take his dictation, but there are none in the room in which he holds his private con-His breakneck daily schedule makes no allowances for interruptions.

The staff of 100 assistants and Two Allied columns are converg- other workers he has assembled ocing on ancient Palmyra through the cupy the entire four floors of the Syrian desert from the east and one building, formerly used by the has penetrated the outskirts of the Rural Electrification Administration. Mayor La Guardia will commute

The column which reached the ing and will remain here through to Washington each Tuesday mornoutskirts of the town, 150 miles Friday. Then he will return to New northeast of Damascus, was re-northeast of Damascus, was re-York City to attend to his mayoralty Film Actress Asks Divorce and other duties.

Actor Edmund O'Brien, charging Rear Admiral Ben Moreell, chief cruelty but making no specific alleof the Navy Bureau of Yards and gations. Docks, will speak on "Wartime Construction Activities in the Navy Department" at the June meeting of the Washington Post, Society of American Military Engineers, at 12:30 p.m. Monday at the Army and Navy Club.

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Bill Is Still Pending

of communicable diseases caused by By the Associated Press. Selective Service Headquarters has notified all local boards, it was The hospital is under construction learned today, that they must make their own decisions in the cases of selectees 28 years of age or older who are now in line for induction but who may be deferred a few

> The headquarters' statement was of our own death against a total issued in response to numerous in- concept of life and of the world inquiries by boards as to what course compatible with the existence of to pursue in view of the Senate- Spain and above all against frank approved bill now before the House foreign invasion. which would empower the President to give deferment from military today to difficult and large undertraining to all men who have takings that involve Europe like the reached the age of 28 by July 1. wind of a crusade and in which we

legislation appears probable. Servday's bag has been greater on several ice Headquarters was understood to occasions. On one day at the height have taken the position that it of the battle of Britain the British could not forecast what final action Congress might take and that it man planes to losses of 25: on antherefore lacked authority to issue other downing of 133 Nazi aircraft instructions in the matter.

Some Boards Defer Action. trawler Nogi in a battle between Officials of some boards reported, German planes and small British however, that they had been indiminesweeping craft yesterday was rectly encouraged to find ways of postponing the induction of the Camp Committee chairman. One German plane was reported men affected until such time as Congress disposed of the pending

terday that the Army favors releasing the present selective service trainees-"if the situation permits" -after they have finished their year of military duty, but that it might be advisable to retain some of them explosive and fire bombs dropped in longer. Northwestern Germany last night,

would be sought from Congress, the Army chief of staff told reporters In its own offensive, the Luftwaffe it might be wise to retain some men was reported to have sunk a British longer than a year rather than weaken important military units of chantmen in waters around Engwhich they were a part. Army May Ask Increase.

"We want to keep men flowing through the replacement training Port facilities at the mouth of centers, however," Gen. Marshall the Thames and targets in South- added. "The results of the training eastern England were also raided system thus far are far beyond exand big fires started, the high compectations."

100,000 in the Army's strength would In R. A. F. attempts to enter be asked of Congress if the National occupied areas yesterday the com- Guard is retained in service beyond munique said 22 British planes were its current year as recommended to President Roosevelt. Such an increase would swell the

While minor R. A. F. operations during the night were reported from western Germany, Germans said Luftwaffe night actions against needed, he explained, as replace-England were on a small scale, con- ments for those detached to garrison sisting of individual attacks on the new offshore bases and to form British ports and military objectives new anti-tank units the Army plans. along the south and southeast coast. D. N. B., German official news agency, reported that German naval

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While passage of the lower age must recognize our own duty D. C. Girl Scouts to Get dergo "home defense" training at

aid, signaling and mapping will be Gen. George C. Marshall said yesincluded in the course, "based on the actual experience of Girl Guides in England. utilization of food will be included in training for health as a cornerstone of defense, Mrs. Watson said.

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Madrid Falangists

Cry 'On to Moscow'

Foreign Minister Calls

Russia must be "exterminated."

balcony of Falange headquarters.

He advised the demonstrators,

who hit at Britain with cries of

"Gibraltar for Spain," to remain

Over 5,000 in Crowd.

The crowd which swelled to more

than 5,000 heard Serrano Suner

"The extermination of Russia is necessary for history and the fu-

After singing Falange hymns, the

demonstrators paraded in military

formation to the German embassy,

crying "Long live Germany, Italy,

American Ambassador Alexander

W. Weddell awaited an interview

with the chief of government to talk

over "the general situation," em-

These sources added that Mr.

Weddell would demand clarification

of Spain's position as a result of the

outbreak of hostilities between Ger-

The Government on May 31 an-

nounced a decision to send 100,00%

workers to Germany under an ex-

change agreement and informed

The Falange organ Arriba said

"We did not fight against other

"Germany has committed herself

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Agriculture Defense Chief Says Steps Are Being Taken to Avert Shortages

By the Associated Press MADRID, June 24.-Uniformed CHICAGO, June 24.—The defense Falangists paraded the streets of chief of the Agriculture Department Madrid today, demonstrated in declared today that "at this stage front of the German Embassy with of the game, we honestly believe we cries of "On to Moscow" and heard | can avoid the 'meatless' and 'milkthe Spanish Foreign Minister declare less' days of the first World War."

The demonstrations came as govthe Office of Agricultural Defense ernment leaders sought to decide Relations, said a few shortages were Spain's course in the Axis struggle foreseen under the aid-to-Britain against the Soviet Union. The United States and British Embassies cheese, eggs, pork and vegetable were protected against incidents by oils-but these were being remedied. "It is conceivable, of course, that Foreign Minister Ramon Serrano we might have to cut down on con-Suner attacked Russia as "guilty of sumption of one or two commodities our civil war" in a brief speech to such as cheese for brief periods," he

cheering demonstrators from the cautioned in a speech before the Agricultural Club of Chicago. Milk production, spurred by an calm and confident in the govern- that date, 5 per cent above the 1940 be raised by one-fourth.

Britain May Hit Aluminum Jackpot In Slot Machines By the Associated Press

BATON ROUGE, La., June 24.—Great Britain might get a "flying jackpot" from seized

Louisiana slot machines. State Police Supt. Steve Alford said 1,200 illegal slot devices seized and smashed by State troopers had yielded between 5,000 and 6.000 pounds of metal, principally aluminum sufficient to build a military airplane. Supt Alford said he had offered the scrap metal to

M. Clifford Townsend, director of increase was in areas which had no cheese or evaporated milk plants. The department is therefore calling conferences among evaporated program-notably in evaported milk, milk manufacturers to discuss the construction of new plants and means of tapping the 100,000,000 pounds of dried milk now used an-

nually for animal feed. The department calculates, he said, that last year's American cheddar cheese production of 605,-000,000 pounds should be increased by one-third to meet domestic and Agriculture Department drive, rose British needs, and evaporated milk by June 1 to the highest record for production of 58,000,000 cases should



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